

FARMERS

To Meet In St. Louis To Urge Legislation

Eyes Of Politicians Are On This Convention

Where Representatives Of 10,000,000 Farmers Meet

It Will Be The Debut Of American Farmer

As A Politician In His Section Of The Country

St. Louis, Mo., May 2.—The eyes of politicians throughout the country will turn this week toward St. Louis, where representatives of 10,000,000 farmers are to meet in convention to discuss "needed state and national legislation and to establish bureaus at different capitals to see that the demands of the farmer are heard and to devise means of making the farm more attractive so that the proposed solution of the economic problem of today—back to the farm—may be made possible."

The gathering, which will begin its sessions tomorrow, is to be held under the joint auspices of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America which comprises twenty-nine compact State organizations with an aggregate membership of 3,500,000 and the American Society of Equity, with a membership of 2,500,000. Other farmers' organizations with memberships amounting to more than 3,000,000 have been invited to participate in the deliberations.

If for no other reason, the convention would attract wide attention because of the large number of eminent speakers who are to be heard. The list is headed by President Taft, who has accepted an invitation to address the convention Wednesday. Other men of national prominence who will be heard are Senators Gore and Owen of Oklahoma, Governor Hadley of Missouri, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, Col. John Temple Graves of New York, Thomas Watson of Georgia, and Congressman Cantrell. The commissioners of agriculture of a number of the Southern and Western States will also be included among the speakers.

But the real importance of the convention is believed to lie in the fact that it will mark the debut of the American farmer as a politician. President Barrett of the Farmers' Union emphatically denies that his organization has any intention of joining in the formation of a new political party. Notwithstanding this denial it is recognized by all that the work of organizing the farmers, especially in the South and West, has made such strides in the last few years that the Farmers' Union is certain to be forced to the front politically, and that even if the union does not carry the primaries or elections and secure the offices it will nevertheless be able to compel the politicians and officials to adopt its views on agricultural and economic questions.

History does not record a more phenomenal growth than that of the Farmers' Union. The organization was first formed in Texas in the early '90s and started its career with a membership of ten persons. Today it covers all of the States of the South, the

Southwest and a large section of the West and has millions of signed members. As an organization it has so far managed to steer clear of political entanglements. The leaders still insist that politics be barred, but their statements are not reassuring to the leaders of the old political parties, who realize that the organization is similar in many respects to the old Farmers' Alliance, which swept Kansas and Nebraska out of the Republican column, and which was the forerunner of the Populist party. The politicians remember how the leaders of the Farmers' Alliance twenty years ago pledged the people that there would be no politics in the organization. Nor have they forgotten how Jerry Simpson, Senator Pfeffer and others took advantage of the movement.

If the Farmers' Union goes into politics and wins—and many keen observers believe such will be the case—the country is likely to see far more radical legislation in the line of Socialism than ever before, for the State credit of State money will be pledged to finance the cotton and other crops, to erect warehouses for their storage, and to control, if not operate, the mills and elevators. Legislation will be asked not only of the States but of Congress also to aid the farmers. The first of the laws that will be asked for will be a statute closing the cotton exchanges and boards of trade and making it a felony to speculate in cotton, wheat and similar products of the soil.

In addition to legislation abolishing speculation in farm products, the organization is working for the enactment of federal laws for the establishment of a parcels post and postal savings banks, stringent legislation along the lines of restricting foreign immigration, and more liberality in national and State appropriations toward agricultural projects. The union has also declared itself in opposition to the proposed establishment of a central bank.

PULPIT

Of Presbyterian Church Is Declared Vacant

By Order Of The Zanesville Presbytery

Rev. Mr. Nesbitt of Pataaskala, preached at the Presbyterian church in this city, both morning and evening, Sunday, to large audiences, especially so at the morning service. Mr. Nesbitt was delegated by Zanesville Presbytery to occupy the Mt. Vernon pulpit, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. J. S. Revennaugh, and formally declare the pulpit vacant until the local congregation shall call another pastor. The reverend gentleman spoke touchingly of the time when a pastor and his flock separate; of the original idea of the ministry in serving its people and what it has developed into; that the minister served a congregation his lifetime. Mr. Nesbitt's sermons at both services were highly appreciated by those who heard him.

Rev. Revennaugh, the former pastor, preached his first sermon at his new charge in Cincinnati Sunday. No action by the congregation has yet been taken to secure a regular pastor.

ISSUES

Call For 200 Volunteers For Police Service

To Relieve The Patrolmen In City Of Columbus

Columbus, O., May 2.—This morning Mayor Marshall sent a letter to the street railway company asking them to resume operation of their lines, promising that if there was interference in the service every power within the mayor's command would be set in motion to protect life and property. Mayor Marshall also issued an appeal this morning for 200 volunteers for police duty who may be called upon in case of trouble during the strike. Several cars were run this morning conveyed by police in automobiles.

Water thrown on the ice of the Arctic regions will crack it, just as boiling water will crack a piece of glass. This is because the ice is so much colder than water.

MAY TERM

Of Common Pleas Court Convened On Monday

With Judge E. M. Wickham On The Bench

The Grand Jury To Have But Little Work

Two Appointed To Examine County Treasury

Other Items From The Temple Of Justice

The May term of common pleas court convened at 10 o'clock Monday morning with Judge E. M. Wickham of Newark on the bench. The members of the grand jury reported, but very little work will be up for their consideration at this term of court.

The docket was called by Judge Wickham Monday morning and an assignment of cases made.

To Condemn Real Estate—

The board of education of Millwood special school district of Knox county has filed a petition in the probate court of Knox county against Anna Lepley et al., for the purpose of condemning real estate to build a new school house. Probate Judge Berry will hear the matter next Monday.

To Examine Treasury—

Frank Hardesty, Democrat, and William H. White, Republican, both of Mt. Vernon, were appointed by Probate Judge Berry Monday morning to examine the county treasury.

Second Partial—

Bessie M. Woolson, guardian of Mary B. James, has filed a second partial account in probate showing the following: Received \$609.81, paid out \$379.91, due wards \$229.90.

First Partial—

R. L. Jones, executor of Jane Hardesty, has filed a first partial account in probate showing the following: Received \$839, paid out \$885.16, due executor \$46.16.

The Dobberstein Will—

The last will and testament of William Dobberstein late of Berlin township, Knox county, has been filed in probate. The testator gives to his wife, Christina Dobberstein, his entire estate both real and personal. The will was executed March 16, 1910, in the presence of Nancy Price and L. B. Ackerman.

Marriage Licenses—

Rolph J. Sellers, farmer, Sparta, and Nova Vernon Wilson, Fredericksburg. Herbert C. Wood, justice of the peace. (Consent filed for both parties.)

Eli Davis, farmer, Morgan township, and Eva Pipes, Pleasant township. Rev. Charles F. Ramsbottom.

Deeds Filed—

James H. Glasgow to C. K. Conard lot 42 C. & G. Cooper Park addition, \$900.

Mary Stinmetz to Clinton Stinmetz, 2 19-20 acres in Pleasant \$191.

George E. Schooler to Lewis A. Fowler, 76 acres in Clinton, \$5,600.

Mary E. Stinmetz to A. D. Tyson, 10 acres in Morris, \$2,000.

James G. Fowler to James Giffin, 62 acres in Howard, \$2,350.

POCAHONTAS COUNCIL

Celebrates 17th Anniversary On Last Saturday Evening

The Pocahontas Council celebrated their 17th anniversary on Saturday evening, and supper was served at six o'clock to about seventy-five members. The menu consisted of roast beef and mashed potatoes with brown gravy, slaw, brown and white bread, butter, cake, ice cream, coffee and after-dinner mints. Following the supper the usual session was held and four pale-faces were balloted on, and elected to membership. A short program was given under the good of the order, which was enjoyed by all present. The captain of the team urges all to be present on next Saturday evening early for a drill, to initiate these four candidates. Quite a number intend going to Columbus on the 10th to the convention. As Tuesday is to be Pocahontas day, all be ready that morning to go on the early train and enjoy whatever is in store in the capitol city.

STRINGENT

Is The Law In Regard To "Boodlers"

At The Coming Primaries On May 17

The man who solicits money from candidates in the primary election, May 17th, is playing with fire. Prospective boodlers and vote-buyers, if there be any in Knox county, had better be pretty cautious, too, for the law is more stringent than when applied to a regular election.

A peculiar feature of the law lies in the fact that the man who solicits, exacts a promise, or accepts anything, whether money or favors of any sort is guilty under the law and may be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, or may be imprisoned in the penitentiary for one year or both. The law appears to have been constructed for the purpose of reaching that bunch of boodlers who continually harass the candidates for office with a view of extracting money from them for the little work they may do at the polls and among their friends.

For the benefit of those who are not acquainted with the provisions of the primary law in this particular, the following section of the statute is given in full:

"Section 12.—Any person who shall solicit, request, demand, or receive, directly or indirectly any money, intoxicating liquors reward or other thing of value, or the promise thereof, either to influence his vote, to be used, or under pretense of being used to procure the vote of any other person or persons, or to be used at any poll or other place prior to or on the day of a primary election shall be deemed guilty of an offense, and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$100, and not more than \$500, or to be imprisoned in the penitentiary for one year, or both, in the discretion of the court."

SMITH

Was Full Of Booze And Also Had A Gun

Platt Smith was arrested on the viaduct near the C. A. & C. station by Officer Hough Saturday evening about 8 o'clock and was locked up in jail on a charge of intoxication. Smith had a big revolver in his pocket and was about to pull it out when arrested by the officer. Before Mayor Mitchell Monday morning Smith was fined \$1 and sent back to the county jail.

WHY GROWTH

Of the Buckeye State Building and Loan Company, Rankin Building, 22 West Gay street, Columbus, Ohio.

4. Courtesy. The kindness of our officers and directors has helped to make the Buckeye grow rapidly. People appreciate courteous treatment and this they experience at the Buckeye. We appreciate our customers and we feel and act toward them that they were the best to be had. And they are the best. Such courtesy is one of the elements entering into our rapid growth. Our assets \$3,800,000. Five per cent paid on time deposits.

REPRESENTATIVE GOTSHALL

On Conference Committee To Draft State Tax Commission Bill

Representative Gotshall has been appointed a member of the Conference Committee to which the Langdon bill creating a state tax commission has been referred, the senate and the house not being able to agree on the measure. The Conference Committee is to whip the subject out during recess and report a bill for action when the legislature re-convenes on May 10. The subject of a state tax commission is one of the most important that has been before the general assembly this session, and the conference committee has a very difficult task to perform.

The appointment on the committee is a high honor to Representative Gotshall.

RESIGNS

As Pastor Of The Vine Street Church Of Christ

Rev. L. O. Newcomer Tenders Resignation Sunday

And Will Soon Go To Connersville, Indiana

To Become Pastor Of Church In That City

Rev. Mr. Newcomer's Letter To His Church Members

At the morning service of the Vine Street Church of Christ, the Rev. Lawrence O. Newcomer tendered his resignation as pastor of the church, after several years of faithful service, during which time the membership of



REV. L. O. NEWCOMER Who Resigned On Sunday As Pastor Of The Church of Christ

the church and Sunday school has been greatly increased and the finances of the church placed on a substantial basis.

Rev. Mr. Newcomer has accepted a call to the church at Connersville, Ind., and in his letter to his church members Sunday, the reverend gentleman explained that the field of labor was much larger in the Indiana city and he considered it his duty to accept the call.

The resignation of Mr. Newcomer takes effect as soon as satisfactory arrangements can be made for the welfare of all concerned.

The following is the self-explanatory letter read by Rev. Mr. Newcomer at the morning service Sunday: To the Church of Christ,

Mt. Vernon, O.: Dear brethren—In behalf of myself and family I take this opportunity to express to you our sincere and heartfelt thanks for the happy associations we have experienced during our pastorate here and the many encouraging words and acts of kindness we have received at your hands. A few days ago I was called to the telephone and invited to take the pastorate of the church at Connersville, Ind. After due deliberation I consented to make that church a visit, which thing I did during the past week. I found conditions there for enlargement so much more favorable than here, and the request from the church so urgent for me to accept the call, that I felt under all the circumstances it was my duty so to do.

As a result of this act, I therefore tender my resignation as minister of this church to take effect as soon as satisfactory arrangements can be made for the welfare of all concerned. My action in this matter is the result of mature deliberation and with the greatest degree of love and affection for the whole church individually and collectively. Your kindness to me and family during our sojourn among you will ever be cherished in memory as a pleasant dream. That the hand of the Lord may guide you in the selection of my successor and that you may be of one mind and one heart in advancing the cause of the Master here in Mt. Vernon, is my earnest prayer.

Truly and fraternally yours, Lawrence O. Newcomer, Minister.

I refuse to pay any or all debts incurred by my wife, Mrs. Caroline Johnson, in the city of Mt. Vernon, Ohio. LYMAN JOHNSON

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UNCLAIMED MAIL

The following letters remain unclaimed in the Mt. Vernon postoffice: Advertised in the Daily Banner. To avoid delay in delivery, have your mail addressed to street and number, P. O. box or general delivery.

Advertised May 2, 1910. Armstrong, J. W. Arrington, Miss Jennie Bergin, W. B. Clements, Ozzie Coss, Miss Nonie Ford, Mrs. Olin Gilbert, Walker Haddix, Burr Higgins, Thomas Hoar, Thomas P. Hooton, Miss May Jones, John Kirkpatrick, Mrs. George Listen, Miss Bertha Linson, Dale Mitchell, Wm. Schrack, Clyde Stermetz, J. D. Trent, M. Wohlford, Edd. Workman, Mrs. Homer Foreign Prints Hoar, Ernest Oden-Adams Cut Stone Co. The Sheridan G. Dowds, P. M.

BIG EAR OF CORN

To Be On Exhibition At The A. A. Dowds Dry Goods Store May 13 And 14th

The prize ear of corn that won the Grand Champion Sweepstakes at the National Corn Exhibition held at Omaha, Neb., in 1909, and the silver and gold trophy that was given by W. H. Kellogg of Battle Creek, Mich., will be on exhibition at the Dowds dry goods store May 13th and 14th.

The ear of corn is the best single ear that has ever been shown, being almost perfect in all its proportions. It is 10 1/2 inches in length and has twenty rows with 6 kernels to the inch, their depth being 3/4 of an inch. The entire weight of the ear is 20 ounces. It is a hybrid of Reed's Yellow Dent and Alexander Gold Standard.

The cup is sterling silver with a gold lining and tipped with an artistic knob of gold in the form of an ear of corn with its husks. The border of the bowl shows an embossed effect of corn over enamel with the Kellogg trademark. The whole cup stands 30 inches high and stands on a base of pure ebony. It is valued at \$1,000 and is well worth the attention of the public, and should be of especial interest to corn growers.

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FLAMES

Destroyed Home Of Clyde Thompson Near Waterford

Lightning Set Fire To The Dwelling

The home of Clyde Thompson, about three miles west of Waterford, was completely destroyed by fire Sunday evening at about five o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, with some company, were sitting in a down stairs room during the thunderstorm which came up about that time in the afternoon, when a sharp flash of lightning was seen and immediately following this flash, a spout of flame was seen to shoot from the transmitter of the telephone on the wall. Nothing more was thought about it for a while until the odor of smoke was detected. On investigation, it was found that an upstairs window had been broken in by the lightning and that the draught through the broken window had fanned some sparks off of the telephone wire, into flame and that the whole room was blazing. It was seen immediately that the house could not be saved so all hands busied themselves with removing furniture from the building. Fortunately there were neighbors living nearby and with their aid, all of the household goods were saved. The loss was partially covered by \$700 insurance.

LIGHTNING

Came Near Killing Three Persons At Fredericktown

A bolt of lightning came near killing three people in Fredericktown on Sunday afternoon during the electrical storm. About five o'clock, three ladies were sitting on the porch at the home of William Cover when a blinding flash of lightning struck a tree in the yard just in front of the porch. The three people were knocked out of their chairs to the porch and partially stunned for a short time. No serious results followed the shock, however, and the only damage done was to the large tree in the yard which was broken and destroyed.

BARN

Destroyed By Lightning Near Waterford Sunday

A large barn belonging to Mr. John Gale, about two miles west of Waterford, was struck by lightning during the electrical storm Sunday afternoon at about four-thirty o'clock. The bolt struck on the corner of the roof of the barn and set fire to the shingles which were very dry. In a short time, the entire roof was blazing and the structure soon burned to the ground as there was no means of fighting the fire. Fortunately there was no live stock in the building at the time, although a great deal of feed and farming machinery was destroyed.



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